

Recidivism Rates* within One and Two Year Follow-up Periods for Felons Paroled to California Supervision California Department of Corrections Released from Prison for First Time in 2000¹ By Principal Commitment Offense					
Principal Commitment Offense	Number Paroled	Returned		Within	
		One Year		Two Years	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Murder First (old law) ⁴	0				
Murder First (new law) ⁴	0				
Murder Second (old law) ⁴	1	1		1	
Murder Second (new law) ⁴	3	0		0	
Manslaughter	436	116	26.61%	174	39.91%
Vehicular Manslaughter	128	24	18.75%	34	26.56%
Robbery	3,464	1,520	43.88%	2,035	58.75%
Assault/Deadly WP	2,637	1,064	40.35%	1,451	55.02%
Attempted Murder First ⁴	2	1		1	
Attempted Murder Second	281	78	27.76%	116	41.28%
Other Assault/Battery	3,226	1,468	45.51%	1,926	59.70%
Rape	247	67	27.13%	104	42.11%
Lewd Act With Child	1,014	255	25.15%	349	34.42%
Oral Copulation	85	27	31.76%	38	44.71%
Sodomy	20	8	40.00%	11	55.00%
Sexual Penetration with Object	53	15	28.30%	20	37.74%
Other Sex	798	406	50.88%	506	63.41%
Kidnapping	195	59	30.26%	80	41.03%
Burglary First	2,103	999	47.50%	1,300	61.82%
Burglary Second	3,185	1,592	49.98%	2,037	63.96%
Grand Theft	1,562	671	42.96%	847	54.23%
Petty Theft With Prior	3,541	1,883	53.18%	2,384	67.33%
Receiving Stolen Property	1,525	835	54.75%	1,031	67.61%
Vehicle Theft	2,342	1,346	57.47%	1,632	69.68%
Forgery/Fraud	1,215	435	35.80%	607	49.96%
Other Property	325	128	39.38%	170	52.31%
CS Possession	12,187	5,936	48.71%	7,561	62.04%
CS Possession for Sale	6,510	1,939	29.78%	2,641	40.57%
CS Sales	2,475	778	31.43%	1,030	41.62%
CS Manufacturing	1,274	285	22.37%	426	33.44%
CS Other	333	158	47.45%	194	58.26%
Hashish Possession	21	11	52.38%	13	61.90%
Marijuana Possession for Sale	672	210	31.25%	284	42.26%
Marijuana Sale	382	128	33.51%	169	44.24%
Marijuana Other	81	22	27.16%	30	37.04%
Escape	128	75	58.59%	94	73.44%
Driving Under Influence	1,618	435	26.89%	639	39.49%
Arson	173	69	39.88%	93	53.76%
Possession Weapon	1,957	935	47.78%	1,221	62.39%
Other Offenses	1,532	642	41.91%	875	57.11%
TOTAL	57,731	24,621	42.65%	32,124	55.64%
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Recidivism Rates* within One and Two Year Follow-up Periods for Male Felons Paroled to California Supervision California Department of Corrections Released from Prison for First Time in 2000¹ By Principal Commitment Offense					
Principal Commitment Offense	Number Paroled	Returned		Within	
		One Year		Two Years	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Murder First (old law) ⁴	0				
Murder First (new law) ⁴	0				
Murder Second (old law) ⁴	1	1		1	
Murder Second (new law) ⁴	1	0		0	
Manslaughter	391	109	27.88%	165	42.20%
Vehicular Manslaughter	117	24	20.51%	33	28.21%
Robbery	3,284	1,449	44.12%	1,942	59.14%
Assault/Deadly WP	2,486	1,015	40.83%	1,384	55.67%
Attempted Murder First ⁴	2	1		1	
Attempted Murder Second	269	74	27.51%	112	41.64%
Other Assault/Battery	3,079	1,423	46.22%	1,865	60.57%
Rape	247	67	27.13%	104	42.11%
Lewd Act With Child	1,000	251	25.10%	345	34.50%
Oral Copulation	84	27	32.14%	38	45.24%
Sodomy	20	8	40.00%	11	55.00%
Sexual Penetration with Object	53	15	28.30%	20	37.74%
Other Sex	777	398	51.22%	497	63.96%
Kidnapping	186	55	29.57%	76	40.86%
Burglary First	1,958	944	48.21%	1,224	62.51%
Burglary Second	2,823	1,467	51.97%	1,862	65.96%
Grand Theft	1,281	598	46.68%	756	59.02%
Petty Theft With Prior	2,846	1,631	57.31%	2,033	71.43%
Receiving Stolen Property	1,407	781	55.51%	965	68.59%
Vehicle Theft	2,225	1,290	57.98%	1,565	70.34%
Forgery/Fraud	855	336	39.30%	458	53.57%
Other Property	241	106	43.98%	135	56.02%
CS Possession	10,243	5,153	50.31%	6,542	63.87%
CS Possession for Sale	5,756	1,775	30.84%	2,409	41.85%
CS Sales	2,182	678	31.07%	906	41.52%
CS Manufacturing	1,158	270	23.32%	398	34.37%
CS Other	267	134	50.19%	165	61.80%
Hashish Possession ⁴	19	11		12	
Marijuana Possession for Sale	638	204	31.97%	273	42.79%
Marijuana Sale	359	123	34.26%	160	44.57%
Marijuana Other	77	22	28.57%	30	38.96%
Escape	107	62	57.94%	78	72.90%
Driving Under Influence	1,542	422	27.37%	612	39.69%
Arson	152	62	40.79%	81	53.29%
Possession Weapon	1,911	919	48.09%	1,199	62.74%
Other Offenses	1,392	607	43.61%	824	59.20%
TOTAL	51,436	22,512	43.77%	29,281	56.93%
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Recidivism Rates* within One and Two Year Follow-up Periods for Female Felons Paroled to California Supervision California Department of Corrections Released from Prison for First Time in 2000¹ By Principal Commitment Offense					
Principal Commitment Offense	Number Paroled	Returned		Within	
		One Year		Two Years	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Murder First (old law) ⁴	0				
Murder First (new law) ⁴	0				
Murder Second (old law) ⁴	0				
Murder Second (new law) ⁴	2	0		0	
Manslaughter	45	7	15.56%	9	20.00%
Vehicular Manslaughter) ⁴	11	0		1	
Robbery	180	71	39.44%	93	51.67%
Assault/Deadly WP	151	49	32.45%	67	44.37%
Attempted Murder First ⁴	0				
Attempted Murder Second ⁴	12	4		4	
Other Assault/Battery	147	45	30.61%	61	41.50%
Rape ⁴	0				
Lewd Act With Child ⁴	14	4		4	
Oral Copulation ⁴	1	0		0	
Sodomy ⁴	0				
Sexual Penetration With Object ⁴	0				
Other Sex	21	8	38.10%	9	42.86%
Kidnapping ⁴	9	4		4	
Burglary First	145	55	37.93%	76	52.41%
Burglary Second	362	125	34.53%	175	48.34%
Grand Theft	281	73	25.98%	91	32.38%
Petty Theft With Prior	695	252	36.26%	351	50.50%
Receiving Stolen Property	118	54	45.76%	66	55.93%
Vehicle Theft	117	56	47.86%	67	57.26%
Forgery/Fraud	360	99	27.50%	149	41.39%
Other Property	84	22	26.19%	35	41.67%
CS Possession	1,944	783	40.28%	1,019	52.42%
CS Possession for Sale	754	164	21.75%	232	30.77%
CS Sales	293	100	34.13%	124	42.32%
CS Manufacturing	116	15	12.93%	28	24.14%
CS Other	66	24	36.36%	29	43.94%
Hashish Possession ⁴	2	0		1	
Marijuana Possession for Sale	34	6	17.65%	11	32.35%
Marijuana Sale	23	5	21.74%	9	39.13%
Marijuana Other ⁴	4	0		0	
Escape	21	13	61.90%	16	76.19%
Driving Under Influence	76	13	17.11%	27	35.53%
Arson	21	7	33.33%	12	57.14%
Possession Weapon	46	16	34.78%	22	47.83%
Other Offenses	140	35	25.00%	51	36.43%
TOTAL	6,295	2,109	33.50%	2,843	45.16%
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DEFINITIONS AND FORMULAS

Recidivist: A felon who commits another offense.

Recidivism rate: The ratio of the number who recidivate to the number at risk of recidivating during a particular period.

Release period: A calendar year.

First release to parole: The first release to parole for felon new admissions and parole violators returned with a new term (PV-WNT).

Return to prison: Includes felons who are returned to Substance-Abuse Treatment-Control Units in correctional facilities; returned pending a revocation hearing by the Board of Prison Terms on charges of violating the conditions of parole; returned to custody for parole violations to serve revocation time; or returned to prison by a court for a new felony conviction.

Follow-up rate: The percentage of felons released to parole in California during a particular period that are returned to prison for any reason during a specified follow-up period.

Example rate = $(26,092/60,179) \times 100 = 43.36\%$

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